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Now, let the party begin! Is he a troublemaker, an unreliable substitute, or a brotherly hero!? He even causes trouble for me! But I've been waiting to draw the lively menace Gold again! The time is ripe for his reappearance!

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Every once in a blue moon, I get the chance to talk with my readers. When I talk with my young readers, they always ask, what do they ask again? Oh, yes, "which Pokemon do you like the most?" I hear that all the time, and it bothers me all the t me (laugh). There are 648 Pokemon right now... I I can't just pick one... I Grr~ Today, I m worry ing about what I should answer if I get asked that question again!!

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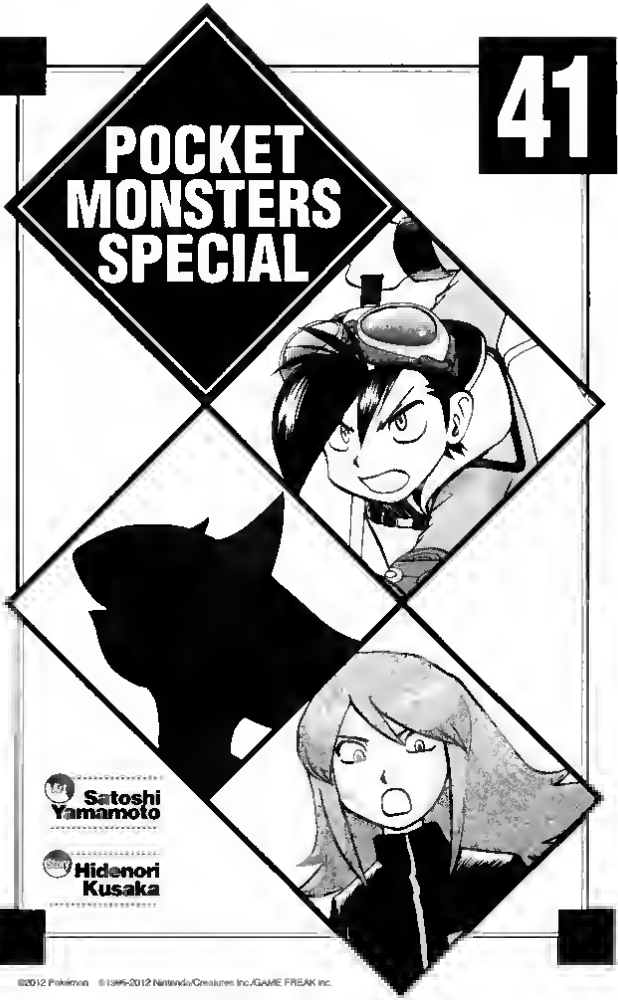

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HEARTGOLD & SOULSILVER

INTRODUCTION

Young men and women ~ Pokedex owners ~ are entrusted with "Pokedexes" by researchers with authority. This is their story of spending their days, fighting, and growing with their Pokemon—!!"!

Gold, who lived in "Poke House" in New Bark Town, set out on a journey to chase after Silver, who stole a Totodile from Gold's neighbor, Professor Elm. Even though they don't see eye-to-eye, they were forced to fight on the same side. Together with Crystal, who was given the mission of completing the Pokedex from Professor Oak, they crushed the dark plans of the Masked Man and the remains of Team Rocket. Now, years later, a new battle is about to begin in Johto...!

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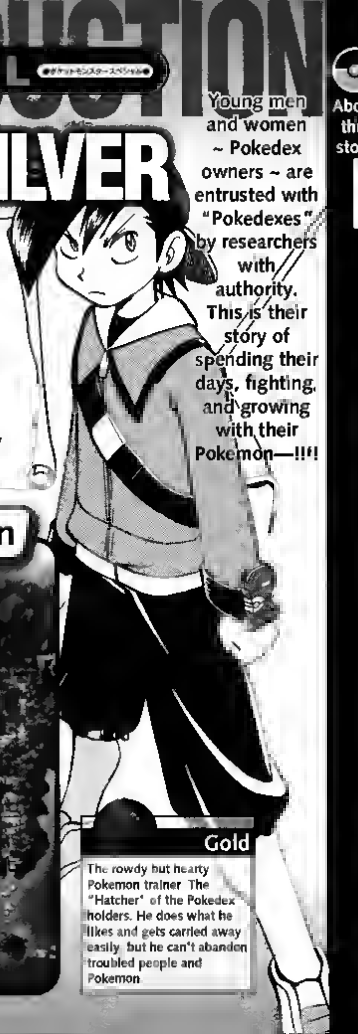
Silver

The "Exchanger" of the Pokedex holders. His past weighs heavily on him, but his soul has gotten stronger because of the adversity that he had faced.



Gold

The rowdy but hearty Pokemon trainer. The "Hatcher" of the Pokedex holders. He does what he likes and gets carried away easily, but he can't abandon troubled people and Pokemon.

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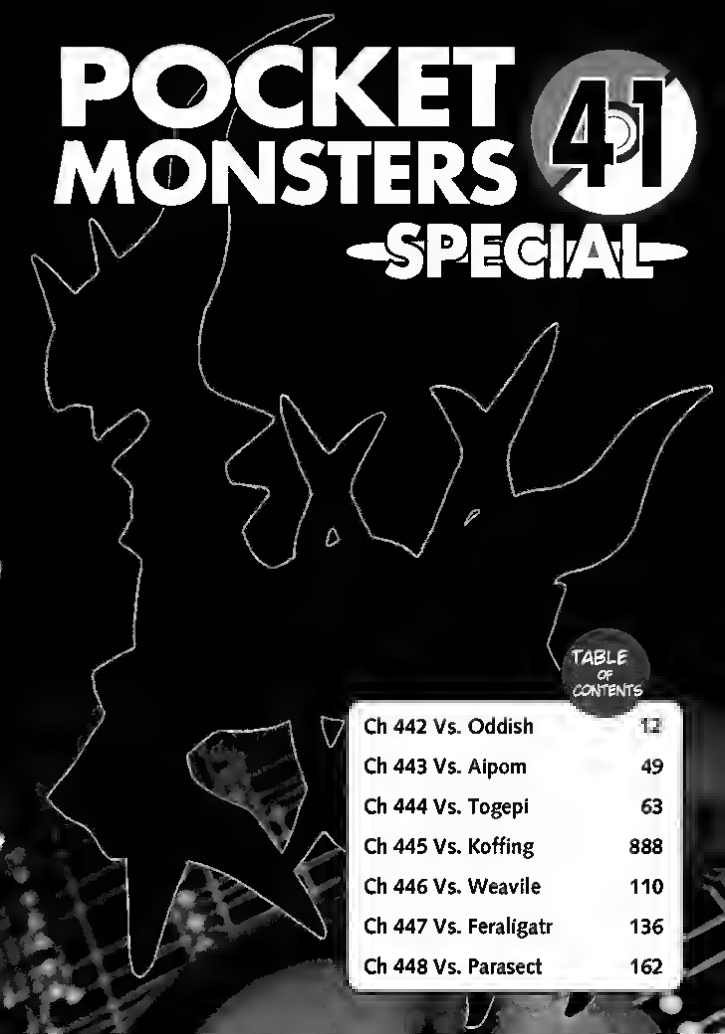

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Heh...
Jeez...

How did things end up like this!?
Ar-ceus!!

I'm counting on you, partner!!
"Blast Burn"!!

I'm Gold of New Bark Town
I haven't introduced myself yet
Oh yeah,

Why do I have to fight you?
Why?
You know, I came here to try to save you

Silver shows up!!
Until that bastard
Last until that
... Kuh!!
Hold on, guys!!

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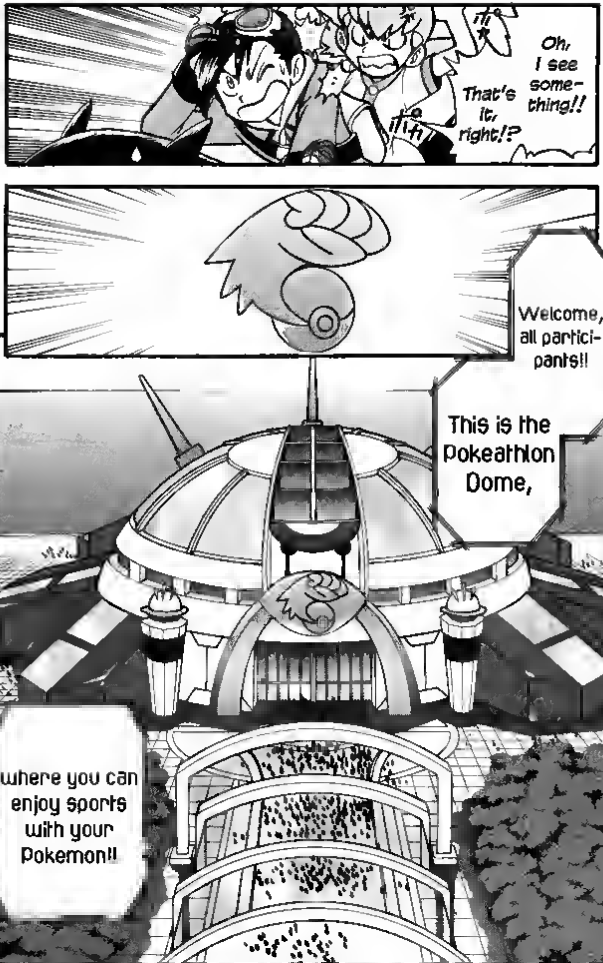
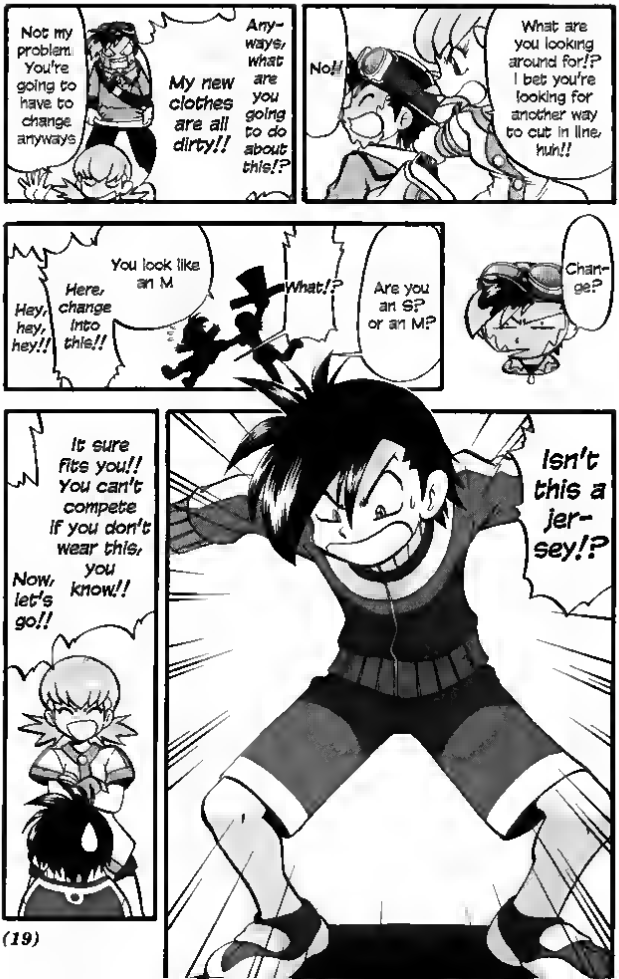
Weeks Ago
Route 37
ドドドドド
Are we there yet? Why does it have to be this far?
Ah, I'm hungry~
Mhm! Mhm!
What, you want some water now?
Poi-taro!
Ah!!
Here! I'll give you one! Be grate-ful!
I know! Let's eat the RageCandyBars I bought

...
...
ぐぅぅ
"Don't worry about it"!?
Don't worry about it, Whitney
Well, it happens
Was the water too weak?
I was gonna choke to death there!!
You dope!!
Ahaha!! This is how Gold, New Bark Town's beloved Pokedex holder does things!!
Owww!! Okay, I'm sorry! Jeez!!
ばっかぁぁぁん!!
Would it hurt you to be a bit thankful!?
Is this how you treat a Gym Leader who's personally showing you the way!?


Oh, I see something!!
That's it, right!?
Welcome, all participants!!
This is the Pokeathlon Dome,
where you can enjoy sports with your Pokemon!!

Here on our unrivaled six-hour special!!
We here at Goldenrod Radio will cover the events all day!!
Today, many Pokeathletes will challenge the 10 events!!
It's been six months since this dome opened!
Then, I'll go on ahead!!
Woo !!
Wah!
You normal people!!
Move, move!!
Can't you go through the line like everyone else!?

Hwah!!
Oh
We're really sorry
Sorry for the ruckus
I-I can't see...
Gah!
Did that person... really come?


Not my problem. You're going to have to change anyways
My new clothes are all dirty!!
Anyways, what are you going to do about this!?
No!!
What are you looking around for!? I bet you're looking for another way to cut in line, hun!!
Change?
Are you an S? or an M?
What!?
You look like an M
Here, change into this!!
Hey, hey, hey!!
Isn't this a jersey!?
It sure fits you!! You can't compete if you don't wear this, you know!!
Now, let's go!!

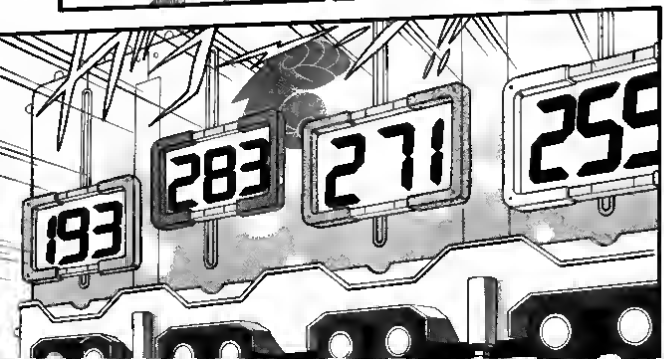
Block Smash
Goal Roll
Pennant Capture
Disc Catch
Ring Drop
Snow Throw
Of course, the trainers send out the Pokemon, so the trainers' management skills are also important!!
Relay Run
Hurdle Dash
There are ten events for trainers where trainers and Pokemons can compete together in!!
The Poke-athlon!!
They are not "battles" in which Pokemon fight, but "sports" in which Pokemon compete!
Lamp Jump
Circle Push
Okay, let's go!!
Explo-taro!!
Go get 'em!!
Ata-ro!!
Pol-taro!!

Now, over there!!
Go!!
Throw those balls!!

Ohh!!
There we go!!
So it's just a snow-ball fight!
I was wondering what kind of event "Snow Throw" could be.
Make a bigger one!!
Don't always be throwing those small ones
Hey, Ataro!

ドゴッ!!

Let's add up the points!!
The Skill Course is over!!
Snow Throw is over!!
Time's up!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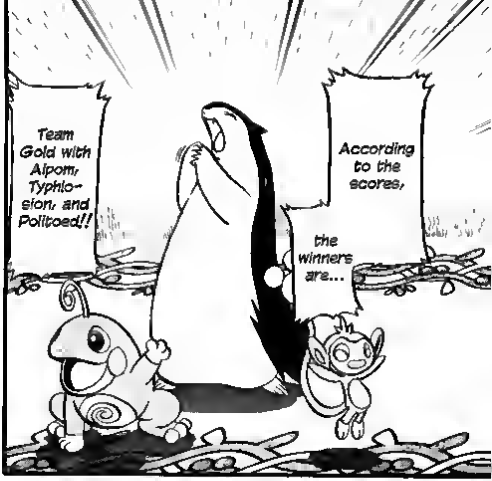
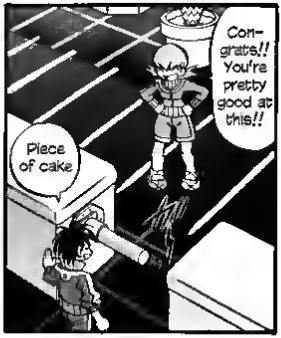
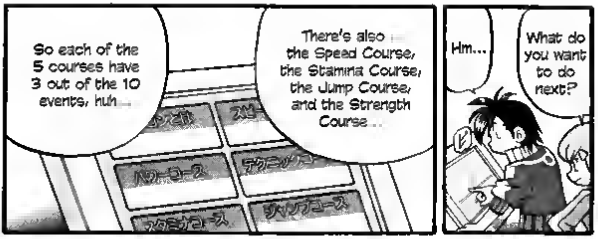
They were a tenacious team that wasn't afraid of making mistakes!!
Heh


Team Gold with Aipom, Typhlosion, and Politoed!!
According to the scores,
the winners are...

Thanks
Here's your medal

So this is what the Skill Medal looks like!!
Ohh


Piece of cake
Con-grats!! You're pretty good at this!!


So each of the 5 courses have 3 out of the 10 events, huh...
There's also the Speed Course, the Stamina Course, the Jump Course, and the Strength Course...
パワーコース
テクニックコース
スタミナコース
ジャンプコース
Hm...
What do you want to do next?

the Jump Course!!
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Okay, I'll go with...

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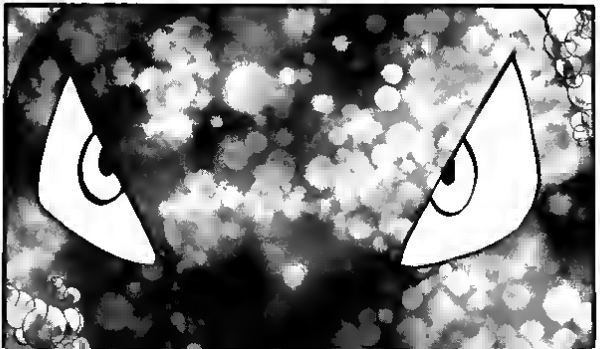
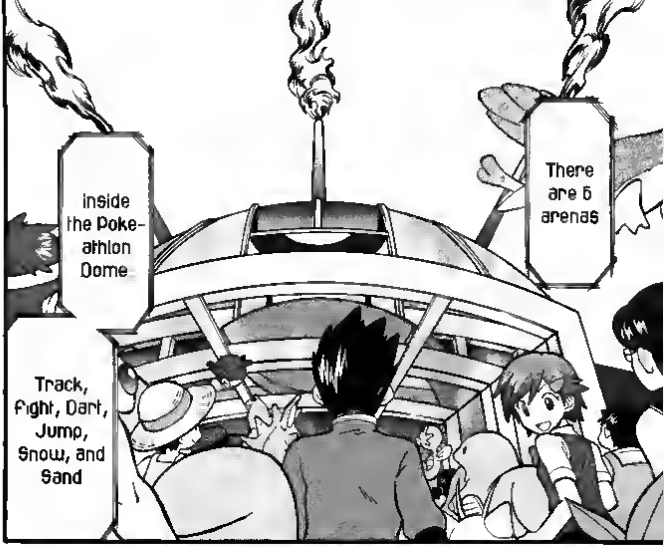
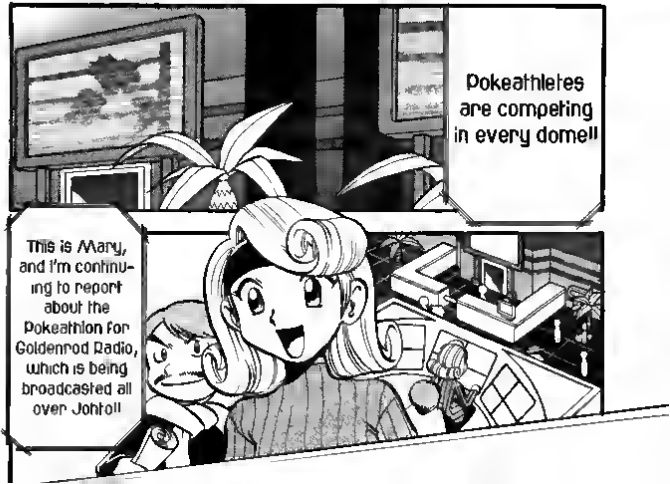



There are 6 arenas
Inside the Poke-athlon Dome
Track, Fight, Dart, Jump, Snow, and Sand

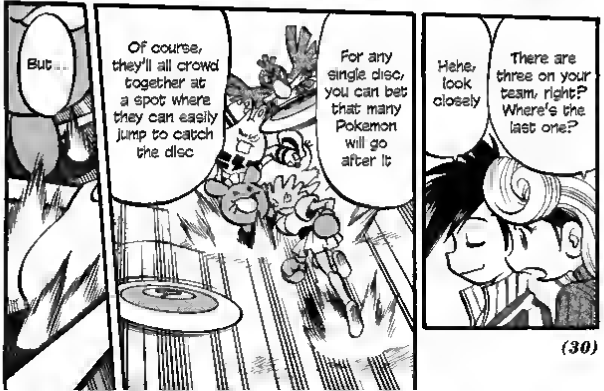

Pokeathletes are competing in every dome!!
This is Mary, and I'm continuing to report about the Pokeathlon for Goldenrod Radio, which is being broadcasted all over Johto!!

It's a competition where Pokemon jump to get more saucers
Taking place in the Sand Dome now is the event "Disc Catch"
Everyone is vigorously giving orders to their own Pokemon
Let's take a close look
Hoo!! Hah!!
Hoo!! Hah!!
Move, move!!
Oh hhh h!!
Oh!!
Huh? That was...
Hoo! Ha-...

Y-... You're ...
Woah!! If it isn't the idol of Goldrenrod Radio, Mary!!
Gold!!
If you're wearing a jersey, then that means that you're partici-pating...
That's a mean thing to say to the hero who saved Johto from danger
The trouble-maker from New Bark Town who stirs up strife wherever he goes!!
Oh, I can explain that
but why were you running?

Apri-juice!
For this!
Oh, it's done ♫
I've gotta put the ingredients into the Apriblender and run
I didn't know before this, but the store owner told me that in order to make juice from apricorns
ガーッ!!
Look, they can do fine without me having to give them orders about everything!
Don't worry about them
Oh
Your Pokemon are in the competition, right!?
But what about giving orders?

Utaro!
Sin-taro!
My partners are the best!!


There are three on your team, right? Where's the last one?
Hehe, look closely
For any single disc, you can bet that many Pokemon will go after it
Of course, they'll all crowd together at a spot where they can easily jump to catch the disc
But...

my Togetaro can easily swim through those crowds!
That's because it's tiny!!
It also has a naughty spirit that doesn't give up!!
It more than makes up for its tiny body!!
The Disc Catch is over!!

Yahoo!! The next one is...
"Lamp Jump"
Jump up to touch the lit lamps
Go, go, gooo !!

But ...
How crude
Huh?
Hee hee
Just like twins
The winner is...!
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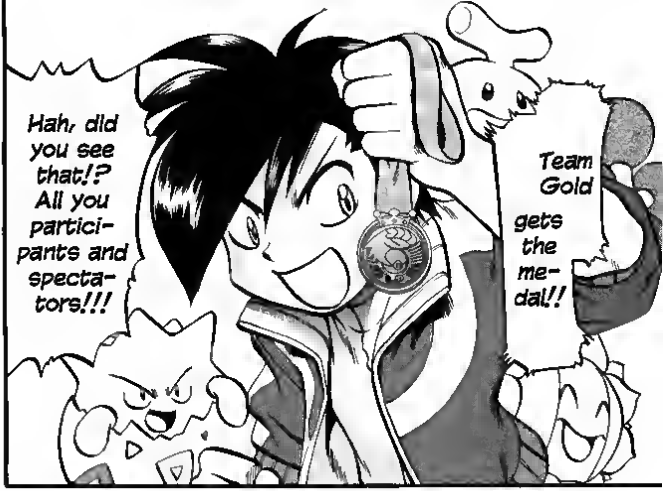
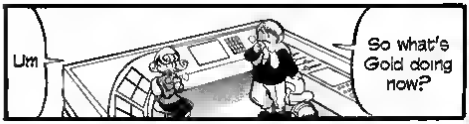
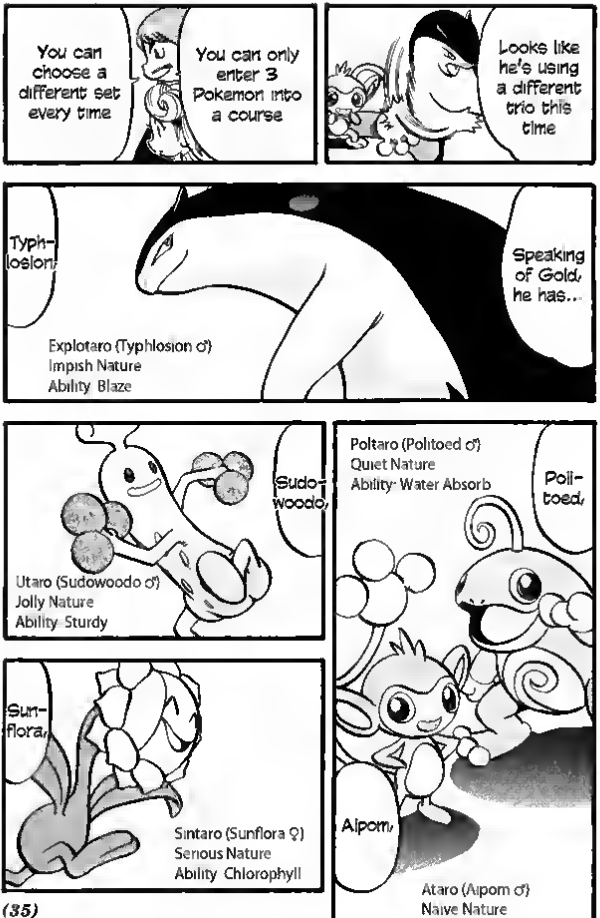
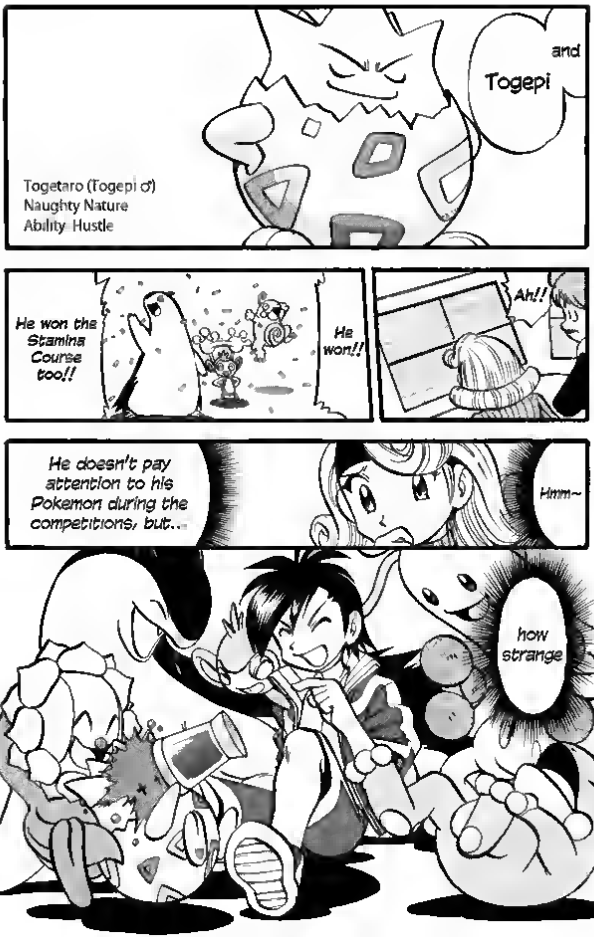
Let's add up the points for the "Jump Course"...
The Lamp Jump is over!!


Hah, did you see that!? All you participants and spectators!!!
Team Gold gets the medal!!

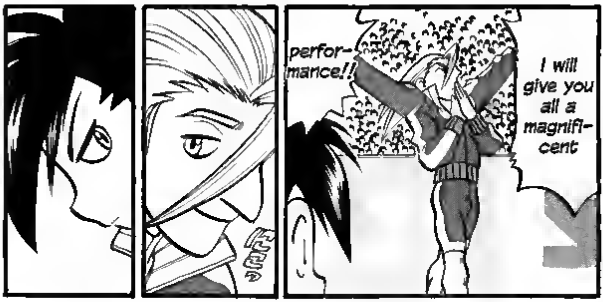

Um
So what's Gold doing now?

He's in the Ring Drop right now
He immediately entered in the Stamina Course

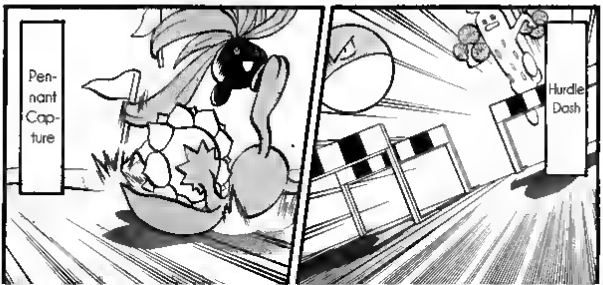

You can choose a different set every time
You can only enter 3 Pokemon into a course
Looks like he's using a different trio this time
Typh-losion,
Speaking of Gold, he has...
Explotaro (Typhlosion ♂)
Impish Nature
Ability: Blaze
Sudo-woodo,
Utaro (Sudowoodo ♂)
Jolly Nature
Ability: Sturdy
Poltaro (Politoed ♂)
Quiet Nature
Ability: Water Absorb
Poli-toed,
Sun-flora,
Sintaro (Sunflora ♀)
Serious Nature
Ability: Chlorophyll
Aipom,
Ataro (Aipom ♂)
Naive Nature
Ability: Run Away


and
Togepi
Togetaro (Togepi ♂)
Naughty Nature
Ability: Hustle
He won the Stamina Course too!!
He won!!
Ah!!
He doesn't pay attention to his Pokemon during the competitions, but...
Hmm~
how strange

Okay !!
Let's enter into the Speed Course next!!
Hmm
What is it?
Well,
If he's going to enter into the Speed Course,
then he's going to have to fight Jet,
the Poke-athlon's Top Poke-athlete!!
Ohh!!
The top-class athlete with the top score in every event and every course!!
Even Gold may not be able to win against him!!



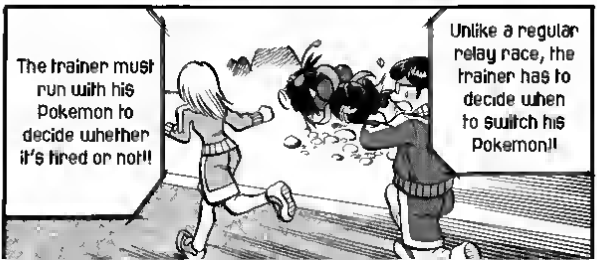
Mary's hunches were right...

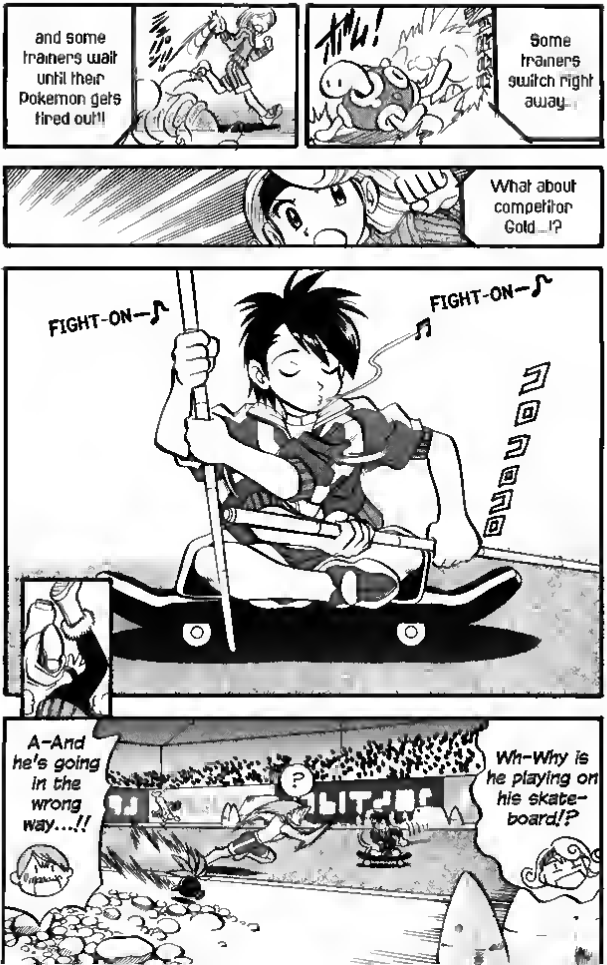


Gotta turn this around...!!
but Jet is always ahead!
Just as I thought, Gold isn't doing badly.
The final event is...
Now, it's finally time for the third event of the Speed Course!!
The Pokemon have to run while avoiding the gravel and the statues!!
the "Relay Run"!!
Get set!!
First runners, on your marks!!

Go!!

Jet's Voltorb dashes off!!
It's fast, and it has a big lead!!
That's right!! In "Relay Run", the trainer runs with the Pokemon!!
And Jet himself is also fast!!


Unlike a regular relay race, the trainer has to decide when to switch his Pokemon!!
The trainer must run with his Pokemon to decide whether it's tired or not!!


and some trainers wait until their Pokemon gets fired out!!
Some trainers switch right away...
What about competitor Gold...!?
FIGHT-ON-♪
FIGHT-ON-♪
A-And he's going in the wrong way...!!
Wh-Why is he playing on his skateboard!?

Nanana
Sudowoodo only has a sliver of stamina left, and is dead last!!
And he abandoned his Pokemon yet again!!

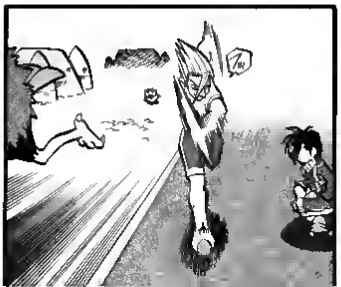
Swit-ch!!

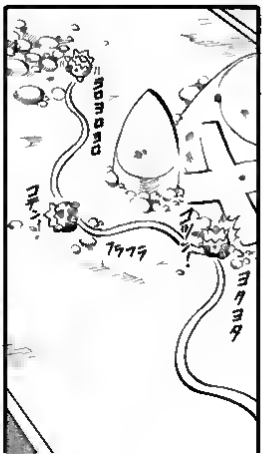
Swit-ch!!
Jet is all the way across from him!!
He switches into Sunflora!! But...!!
There isn't much time left on the clock!!

Jet is coming up right behind him!!
Gold must have kept it as his trump card, but...
He finally switches into his Togepi, which is known for his speed!!

!!

Looks like it can't see!!
Togepi has some gravel in his eyes





Don't slow down!!
Toge-taro!!
おそる おそる
Don't be scared!! Run as fast as you can!!!
This is insane!! Togepi can't see!!
He's going to hit the statue!!!

Right, left, right, jump, right, jump, left...!!
Toge-taro!!
When it seemed like he was playing with his skateboard,
he was actually memorizing the positions of the obstacles !!
It-It's just like what Gold says ...!!
A'
And now, Togepi, who knows the positions of all of the obstacles,
isn't hesitat-ing or making any unneces-sary move-ments!!

Goooo
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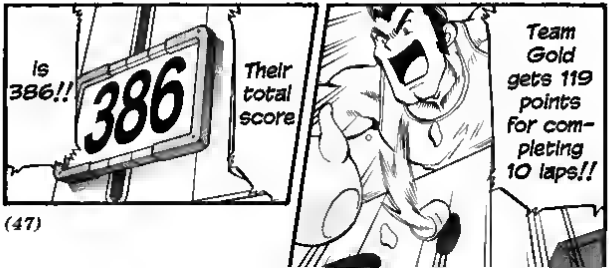
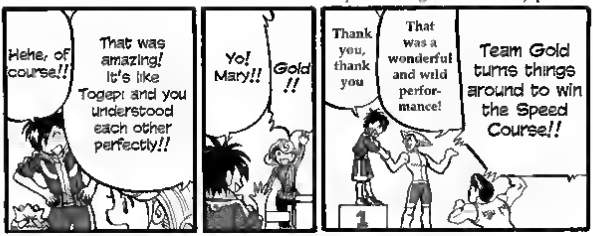

Team Gold gets 119 points for completing 10 laps!!
Their total score is 386!!
386

* Spoken in English rather than Japanese


Hehe, of course!!
That was amazing! It's like Togepi and you understood each other perfectly!!
Yo! Mary!!
Gold!!
Thank you, thank you
That was a wonderful and wild performance!
Team Gold turns things around to win the Speed Course!!
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